

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Irrigation & CAD Department - Allegations of pilferage of Government Funds in the guise of implementation of Land Development Scheme at Potharlanka Village, Kallur Mandal, Guntur District – Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri Ryli Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer, District Scheduled Caste Service Co-operative Society Limited, Guntur - Departmental Inquiry ordered - Sri Ryli Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director, Ground Water Department expired on 14-07-2011 – Further action abated in respect of Departmental action against Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director (Retd.), subject to the condition that any loss caused to Government shall be separately recoverable from the legal heirs of the deceased employee – Orders – Issued.

IRRIGATION & C.A.D. (IW:SERVICES-VI(1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 852

Dated 19-08-2011.
Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Letter C.No.81/RCO-VGT/2001, dated 22-03-2005.
2. From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Letter C.No.81/RCO-VGT/-01, dated 09-01-2007.
3. G.O.Ms.No.60, Irrigation & CAD (IW:Services-VI(1) Department, dated 29-04-2008.
4. G.O.Rt.No.1113, Irrigation & CAD (IW:Services-VI(1) Department, dated 22-08-2008.
5. Written Statement of Self Defence submitted by Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director, Ground Water Department, Rajahmundry, dated 15-10-2008.
6. G.O.Rt.No.514, Irrigation & CAD (IW:Services-VI(1) Department, dated 25-04-2009.
7. Representation from Smt.R.Lakshmi, Wife of Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director (Retd.), Ground Water Department, dated 'NIL' addressed to the Commissioner of Inquiries, General Administration (COI-SB) Department and copy marked to Government.

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ORDER:

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that on appearance of news item published in local news papers dated 23-11-1998, the Vigilance & Enforcement Department had conducted a detailed inquiry into the large scale allegations of pilferage of Government funds in the guise of implementation of "Land Development Scheme" at Potharlanka Village, Kolluru Mandal, Guntur District and sent report to Government (Revenue Department) while marking a copy of the same to District Collector & Magistrate, Guntur District which was in turn sent to the Investigating Agency for necessary action and the Bureau had registered a case under sections 13(2) read with 13(1) (c) & (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and under section 418, 420 and 477 (a) of I.P.C.,. The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad in his Final Report dated 22-03-2005 has recommended to prosecute the accused officer Sri Ryli Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer, Scheduled Caste Service Co-operative Society Limited, Guntur District and (12) other accused officer pertaining to various departments i.e., Social Welfare Department, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Energy Department etc., in a competent Court of Law under Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and Sections 418, 420, 477 A of I.P.C., vide reference 1st read above.

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2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad has furnished the draft Articles of Charges against Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Asst. Project Officer and requested to initiate departmental action against the said accused officer for violation of Conduct Rules.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, Government have accorded sanction for prosecuting the accused officer Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer, Scheduled Caste Corporation, Guntur, in a competent Court of Law under Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and sections 418, 420, 477-A of I.P.C.

4. In the reference 4th read above, Government have initiated departmental action against Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer and Articles of Charges were issued against him for violation of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the accused officer Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director, Ground Water Department, Rajahmundry in his written statement of self defence has stated among other things and requested to drop all further proceedings against him in the interest of justice.

6. In the reference 6th read above, orders were issued, appointing Dr. Subhrendu Bhattacharya, I.A.S., Member, Commission of Inquiries as Inquiring Authority, to conduct departmental inquiry on the charges framed against Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director, Ground Water Department, Rajahmundry.

7. While enclosing a copy of the death certificate in respect of Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director, Smt.R.Lakshmi, Wife of the deceased employee in his representation addressed to the Commissioner of Inquiries and copy marked to Government has informed that her husband Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director has retired from Govt. Service on 31-05-2011 on attaining the age of superannuation and he passed away on 14-07-2011 at Hyderabad and requested to drop the charges and close the case against her husband as per rules in force.

8. After careful examination of the matter, Government have observed that regarding Prosecution against Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer, charge sheet has to be filed before the Hon'ble A.C.B. Court. In respect of departmental action against Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer, for misappropriation of Govt. funds to a tune of Rs.34,42,645=00 in connivance with other officials, the case is pending before the Commissioner of Inquiries and the Inquiry Report is awaited in this case. Therefore, Government have decided to abate the departmental action against Sri R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project, District Scheduled Caste Service Co-operative Society Limited, Guntur District and now retired as Deputy Director, Ground Water Department, owing to his death during the pendency of the proceedings and before the conclusion of the inquiry, subject to the condition that any loss caused to Government shall be separately recoverable from the legal heirs of the deceased Government employee Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao. Accordingly, it is hereby order to abate the departmental action against Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao, formerly Assistant Project Officer, District Scheduled Caste Co-operative Society Limited, Guntur District and now retired as Deputy Director, Ground Water Department, owing to his death during the

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pendency of the proceedings and before the conclusion of the inquiry, subject to the condition that any loss caused to Government shall be separately recoverable from the legal heirs of the deceased Government employee Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao.

9. The Director, Ground Water Department, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**SHAILENDRA KUMAR JOSHI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Director, Ground Water Department, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Legal Heir of Late (Sri) R.Ramalingeswara Rao, Deputy Director (Retd.), Ground Water Department thro' the Director, Ground Water Department, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General (A&E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The General Administration (COI-SB) Department.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commission,

A.P.Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

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SECTION OFFICER